

IN RECOGNITION OF “PHIL KENT”

WHEREAS, Phil Kent is a veteran editorial writer, editorial page editor and was a political columnist for The Augusta Chronicle; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kent, a graduate of the Henry Grady School of Journalism, served his country proudly as a First Lieutenant in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kent is a former press secretary and public affairs advisor to Senator Strom Thurmond; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kent is co-founder and chairman of the board of advisors of the Washington, D.C. based Editorial Information Network, an organization providing Capitol Hill information to the media; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kent is currently president of Southeastern Legal Foundation, a top conservative public interest law firm and policy center headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. The foundation is responsible for a number of Supreme Court successes, including the disbarment of former President Bill Clinton; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kent, a national best-selling author, wrote The Dark Side of Liberalism: Unchaining the Truth, a book that has been critically reviewed in the nation's leading publications, on network and cable television, and Talk Radio; and

WHEREAS, Phil Kent has demonstrated the highest of professional standards in journalism, political, religious and civic leadership, and has left his mark on Augusta and the CSRA community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim June 6, 2003, to be "PHIL KENT DAY" in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to join in the recognition of his outstanding contribution to our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 6th day of June 2003.